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REMARKS

Claims 1-40 are pending in the application. New claims 41-43 have been added. Claims 1, 11, 21, 31, and 41 are independent claims. Claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 11, 21, and 31 are currently amended.

Claim 4 has been objected to as not depending on a preceding claim. In response, claim 4 has been amended to depend on claim 1.

Claims 1-10 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112 as being indefinite. In response, claims 1 and 6 have been amended.

Claims 1, 2, and 4-40 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0013802 ("Mori"). Claim 3 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Mori in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,412,492 ("Waldsburger").

In response, independent claims 1, 11, 21, and 31 have been amended to include at least one limitation not described by Mori. Specifically, amended claim 1 requires reallocating only a subset of a plurality of physical resources to a virtual machine based on evaluated usage, the subset including at least one of an input device, a display device, and a communication device. Mori does not describe reallocating a subset of physical resources including an input device, a display device, and a communication device to a virtual machine based on evaluated usage.

Independent claims 11, 21, and 31 include corresponding limitations, and each of claims 2-10, 12-30, 22-30, and 32-40 depend on an independent claim having such a limitation. Therefore, none of independent claims 1, 11, 21, and 31, nor any of their dependent claims, are anticipated by Mori, or rendered obvious by the combination of Mori and Waldsburger, and the withdrawal of the rejection of these claims is respectfully requested.

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CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the rejections of claims 1 to 40 have been overcome, and that claims 1-43 are in condition for allowance. The applicant therefore respectfully requests the issuance of a Notice of Allowance. Please charge any necessary fees, including extension fees and additional claim fees, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0221.

Respectfully submitted,

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